

PRESIDENT: The motion being in the negative, the motion fails. Back to the bill.

CLERK: I have other amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Oh, other amendments, excuse me.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have is offered by Senator Beutler. Senator Beutler would move to amend....

PRESIDENT: The Chair will declare the Call raised.

CLERK: (Read the Beutler amendment as found on page 507 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, this is a simple amendment which I think is in line with the intent of the bill which would limit the application of the funds basically to high school students. There is presently no limitation in the bill that I noticed so that would be the sole effect of the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Fowler, the Chair recognizes you. Senator Vickers, do you wish to speak on the amendment?

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes, Mr. President. I wonder if Senator Beutler would respond to a question, please. Senator Beutler, if I understand the amendment correctly, this would apply the funds only to grades 9 through 12. Is that correct?

SENATOR BEUTLER: That is right.

SENATOR VICKERS: What if it is a small school and the intent of the bill as I understand it is to assist very small schools who do not now presently have a foreign language program to get assistance from the state to have audio-visual equipment and this type of thing for the teaching of foreign languages, and as I understand your amendment what would happen then if a school that is small enough would also have some requests from the lower grades, from the 7th and 8th grades perhaps or lower to participate in the same program. Now you would have not only high school students but also grade school students being involved in this audio-visual equipment being taught in the school. Now how would you allocate the funds in that sort of a situation?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, I guess that presents a difficult situation, Senator Vickers. How would I deal with that in Lincoln, for example? We don't have language programs for